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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of  
**STEPHEN F. GASS, J. DAVID FULMER and  
JOEL F. JENSEN**

Date: October 20, 2004

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Examiner Boyer D. Ashley

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Group Art Unit 3724

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DETECTING DANGEROUS  
CONDITIONS IN POWER EQUIPMENT

To: Commissioner for Patents  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

**AND THIRD AMENDMENT**

Applicant hereby requests continued examination under 37 CFR §1.114. An authorization to charge a credit card is enclosed to cover the fee required by 37 CFR §1.17(e) for small entities.

This amendment responds to the Office Action mailed July 23, 2004. Please amend the claims as set forth below. Applicant's remarks begin on page 9.